GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA

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TRANSFER OF DIESEL PETROL PUMPS IN MAHARASHTRA
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of diesel/petrol pumps transferred with in the state in Maharashtra from 1996 to 2001, district-wise;

(b) the number of applications lying pending for transfer of diesel/petrol pumps;

(c) the time by which these diesel/petrol pumps are likely to be accorded permission; and

(d) the policy formulated for transfer of diesel/petrol pumps?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MI OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)

(a) 145 retail outlet dealerships have been reconstituted in the state of Maharashtra during the period 1.4.1996 to 31.3.2001

(b) At present, 49 requests/proposals are pending with the Oil Marketing Companies for reconstitution of retail outlet dealerships.

(c) The time taken for conveying the approval to the reconstitution of the dealerships depends on the dealers` complying with all the requirements of the guidelines laid down by the Government.

(d) The Government have issued guidelines delegating the authority for reconstitution of retail outlet dealerships/SKO_LDO dealerships/LPG distributorships to the Oil Marketing Companies. The main features of the guidelines inter alia include:-

(i) Reconstitution will not be allowed before three years from the date of commissioning and subsequent reconstitution not before three years thereafter, except under the following conditions.

- Compassionate Grounds
- Death of a proprietor or partner(s)
- Within the family

(ii) New partner(s) must satisfy multiple dealership norms and generally satisfy other criteria for normal selection, such as, age, educational qualification, income, etc.

(iii) The existing partner(s) will retain majority share.

(iv) For dealerships belonging to SC/ST category, the incoming partner should alsobe from amongst SC/ST. Wherever an SC/ST dealer has married a non-SC/ST, reorganization for inclusion of spouse, who is non-SC/ST may also be permitted.

(v) In case of partnership firm, if one or more partners wish to withdraw, remaining partner(s), may be permitted to reconstitute the firm, subject to the remaining partner(s) being acceptable to the corporation. The exiting partner(s) must retain majority share and the newly inducted partner(s) will not be permitted to have majority holding.

(vi) The incoming partner(s) should not be convicted for any criminal offence or moral turpitude

(vii) Deserving cases, which cannot be decided by the Oil Marketing Companies asper policy, may be referred to the Government for decision.